

A special Meeting of the Board was held in the Library room March 19, 1877.

Present. R. Manville, J. B. Van Buren, J. M. Aitken, E. M. Peck, E. Francis and E. C. Hamden. Messrs. Marshall and Parson came. On Motion of Mr. Aitken, J. B. Van Buren was elected President pro. tem. E. C. Hamden was elected Secretary.

The meeting being for organizing the Board, the Chairman called for nominations for President.

Mr. Manville nominated J. B. Van Buren.  
" Van Buren " E. Francis.

On Motion, nomination closed.

The ballot for President was as follows:

Mr. Van Buren received 4 votes;  
" Manville " 3. Mr. J. B. Van Buren declared  
For Vice-Pres. Mr. Aitken received 4 votes  
" " " " Hamden " 2  
" " " " Peck " 1 vote.

Mr. Aitken was declared elected.

For Sec. E. Francis was nominated. On Motion, nomination closed.

On ballot E. Francis received seven votes, E. M. Peck 1.

Motion that Mr. Francis' election be made unanimous carried.

For Treasurer A. Parson received on 1<sup>st</sup> ballot, 2 votes on 2<sup>d</sup> ballot 3.

" " E. C. Hamden " " " 3. " " 4  
" " E. M. Peck " " " 2 " " 1

Mr. Hamden was declared elected.

Mr. Wheeler was then declared elected Librarian for the ensuing year by a unanimous vote.

The following amendment to the By-Laws was proposed by Mr. Peck and adopted by the Board.

On Motion, an appropriation of \$500 was made to the Librarian for his services during the past year.

Mr. Peck presented a bill of 75 cts. for two nos. of the Galaxy ordered paid.

Mr. Peck stated that Mr. Butler had presented to the Assoc. five years number of Harper's Magazine unbound, and that Mr. Egerton had also presented the number of the same Magazine for four years unbound. On Motion, a vote of thanks was rendered the donors.

Mr. Manville offered the Assoc. personally eight bound vols. of the Congressional Record. On Motion, the offer was accepted.

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